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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Iain RICHARDSON, et al.

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For: VIDEO ENCODING WITH SKIPPING  
MOTION ESTIMATION FOR SELECTED  
MACROBLOCKS

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**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

15 Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

20 Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified  
U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendment to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.